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Louis E. Gitomer Attorney for Toledo, Peoria, & Western Railway Corporation and A & R Line, Inc 1990 East Washington Street East Peoria, Illinois 61611-2961 HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND ARCHAEOLOGY

Federal Agency: Surface Transportation Board

Re: Discontinuance of service by Toledo, Peoria, & Western Railway Corporation and abandonment by A & R Line, Inc of 15.9 miles of railroad line between milepost 5.1W, near Kenneth in Cass County, and milepost 21.0W, near Winamac in Pulaski County (AB-847 [Sub #2X] & AB-855 [Sub #1X])

Dear Mr. Gitomer:

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. § 470f) and 36 C.F.R. Part 800, the staff of the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer ("Indiana SHPO") has conducted an analysis of the materials dated July 10, 2003, and received on August 4, 2003, for the above indicated project from Kenneth, Jefferson Township, Cass County, Indiana to Winamac, Monroe Township, Pulaski County, Indiana.

A complete analysis of the submitted project is not possible, as the information provided is incomplete.

Please provide the indicated information to facilitate the identification and analysis of historic properties in the project area:

- 1) Provide a letter or copy of a letter from the Federal agency indicating the authorized representatives who may act on behalf of the Federal agency.
- 2) Give the name and address of the Federal agency, including the identified contact person that has responsibility for the project, activity, or program, and, if applicable, the name of the program.
- 3) Provide an overall description of the project and its location.
 - Include address, city, township, and county.
 - Detail any construction, demolition, and earthmoving activities.
- 4) Define the area of potential effects¹ and provide a map or a good quality photocopy of a map containing the following:
 - The boundaries of the area of potential effects and the precise location of the project area within those boundaries clearly outlined in dark ink on a copy of the relevant portion of a town, city, county, or U.S. Geological Survey quadrangle map.
 - The names of nearby landmarks clearly labeled (e.g., major streets, roads, highways, railroads, rivers, lakes).
- 5) Give the precise location of any buildings, structures, and objects within the area of potential effects (e.g., addresses and a site map with properties keyed to it).

Area of potential effects means the geographic area or areas within which an undertaking may directly or indirectly cause changes in the character or use of historic properties, if any such properties exist. The area of potential effects is influenced by the scale and nature of an undertaking and may be different for different kinds of effects caused by the undertaking (see 36 C.F.R § 800. 16[d]).

- 6) Give the known or approximate date of construction for buildings, structures, objects, and districts within the area of potential effects.
- 7) Submit historical documentation for buildings, structures, objects, and districts within the area of potential effects.
- 8) List all sources checked for your historical research of the area of potential effects.
- 9) Provide recent, clear photographs or good quality computer-generated images (not photocopies), keyed to a site plan, showing the exterior (and interior, if feasible) of any buildings, structures, objects, or land that could be affected in any way by the project.

Once the indicated information is received, the Indiana SHPO will resume identification and evaluation procedures for this project.

A copy of the revised 36 C.F.R. Part 800 that went into effect on January 11, 2001, may be found on the Internet at www.achp.gov for your reference. If you have questions, please contact our office at (317) 232-1646. Questions about archaeological issues may be addressed to Bill Mangold. Questions about buildings and structures may be addressed to Shana Kelso.

Very truly yours,

Shana Kelso

Sor: Jon C. Smith Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosures (7)

cc: Elaine K. Kaiser, Surface Transportation Board

emc: Tom Beck, Acting Rail Manager